

Catholic School Advisory Council Minutes

October 17, 2023 - 5:30 pm

Participants: Elly Regier, Amy Whilhelm, Jayme Lamoureux, Lindsay Barton, Kassandra Ferguson, Rhonda Regier, Dawn Rasenberg, Kim Conard, Yvonne DeWetering, Candy Barty, Tabatha McNichol

Regrets: Heather Becker, Heather Dickins, Sarah Sadler, Tara Hartman, Lindsey Armstrong-Pavelin, Carla Goodfellow

Welcome, Prayer

Review of September, 2023 Minutes

Principal Update

- health & safety update
 - Mike Herbert, Fire Prevention Officer of South Huron, completed an inspection of the school and observed a fire drill, was very pleased with everything and encouraged us to improve upon our evacuation time
 - bus evacuation training will be held for all students on Nov 3
- Safe and Healthy School Team
 - team has been formed with the first meeting soon to be scheduled
 - members include Amy Wilhelm (parent/community rep), Irene Tait (teacher rep), Julia Burton (non-teaching rep), two students in grade 8 and principal
 - will advise the principal on strategies that will help achieve the goals of inclusive education, bullying prevention, and positive mental health and well-being of all students
 - hope to plan assemblies, guest speakers, programs offered by community partners such as the Big Brothers Big Sisters Go Girls program for girls in Gr 5&6 and the Rural Response Growing Resilience program for students in gr 6/7 & 7/8
- Terry Fox donations total of \$188
- EQAO results from Spring 2023

Student Achievement At or Above Provincial Standard (Level 3 or 4)					
PRIMARY	READING	WRITING	MATH		
School	75%	83%	54%		
Board	81%	74%	66%		



Province	73%	66%	60%
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Student Achievement At or Above Provincial Standard (Level 3 or 4)					
JUNIOR	READING	WRITING	MATH		
School	83%	91%	48%		
Board	81%	85%	49%		
Province	84%	84%	50%		

- school improvement plan
 - plan currently being updated but will continue the work from last year
 - all teachers will complete a literacy learning cycle and a math learning cycle with our system team with a focus directly connected to student data and staff professional development needs
 - will be a continued focus on strengthening the relationship with our parish team
 - will also strive to further staff and student understanding of equity, inclusion and anti-racism as supported by our Safe and Healthy School Team
- Lake Huron Family of Parishes update
 - no update at this time
- Invitation to join CPIC to CSAC members
 - first Catholic Parent Involvement Committee meeting will be Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at
 6pm at our Catholic Education Centre in Dublin
 - an advisory committee that directly links parents with our Director and Board of Trustees

Open House

- very well attended
- total of 13 large, 39 medium and 1 small gluten free pizza were ordered from Pizza Hut for a total cost of \$546.16, amount of pizza was just right
 - use of pizza oven was very helpful and kept pizza hot
 - two delivery times for pizza of 3:45 and 4:45 worked well
- book fair was also very successful
 - total sales were \$4159.50 with a total of \$1396.66 rewards earned to purchase new materials for our library
- will hold open house and book fair scheduled for Thursday, October 3, 2024
- see if online QR code for book fair so parents can support if not able to make it is an option
- see if home delivery vs school delivery

Grocery Tape Receipts

- Sarah will be dropping off tallied receipts this week

Healthy Food Program

- school will participate in the Great Big Crunch on October 19, all students will be given an apple to crunch into as part of a healthy school initiative supported by the Ontario Student Nutrition Program

Hot Lunch Program

program has begun with a positive response



- will continue to rotate through four vendors
- Laurie will continue to reach out each rotation for assistance picking up lunches for those who do not provide delivery, Tabatha and Yvonne also able to help with pick up

Budget Update

- current balance as of October 17, 2023 is \$3469.75

Fundraising Plan

Possible Considerations

- \$3000 padded volleyball nets
- new shed and footings (estimated to be \$2000-3000 if made by secondary students), may need to defer to another year
- bus fees for all system events (estimated to be \$3000-4000) could use funds from hot lunch program that sit outside of parent council

Possible Fundraisers

- able to hold 2 fundraisers per school year and must have a plan for funds first
- last year
 - Greyhaven Gardens total raised \$1057
 - Christmas fundraiser raised \$641
 - Spring fundraiser raised \$416
 - Chocolate Factory fundraiser raised \$1232
 - \$2289 total annual funds raised
- explored various greenhouse and chocolate options
- Go with Huron Ridge for Christmas/Spring fundraiser Greenery and Chocolate Factory for Chocolate fundraiser for Christmas and Spring
- November 12 orders would have to be in to the school
- November 30 delivered to the church send request for help from CSAC
- Set up at the Church for pick up instead of the school on November 30 2023

Approved Expenditures

- \$546.16 pizza for Open House
- provide \$100-200 to each teacher to support field trips, guest speakers (13 teachers including itinerants and SERT = \$1300-2600) will determine exact amount once know how well fundraisers go
- \$350 Grad (\$25/grad = \$25 x 14)
- \$3000 padded volleyball posts and net

Next Meeting

- March 25 2023 at 5:30pm
- Spring BBQ date May 9, 2024

